IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE REQUEST FOR FILING NEW UTILITY PATENT APPLICATION UNDER 37 CFR 1.53(b)

(Case No. RA001C10)

 $oldsymbol{p}_{0}$  the Assistant Commission for Patents Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

Transmitted herewith for filing under 35 U.S.C. 111(a) and 3 C.F.R. §1.53(b) is a new utility patent application for:

Title: INTEGRATED CIRCUIT I/O USING A

HIGH PERFORMANCE BUS INTERFACE

Inventors: Michael Farmwald

Mark Horowitz

This application is a **CONTINUATION APPLICATION** of:

Inventors: Michael Farmwald

Mark Horowitz

Ser. No.: 09/252,998 Art Unit: 2781

Filed: February 19, 1999

Examiner: T. Auve'

Title: METHOD OF OPERATING A MEMORY

HAVING A VARIABLE DATA OUTPUT

LENGTH

To effect the above-requested filing today:

- 1. Attached is a copy of the prior application as originally filed, including:
  - [X] Specification, Claims, and Abstract (125 pages)
  - [X] Drawings: 1 set of formal drawings having 14 sheets
  - [X] Original Declaration and Power of Attorney (2 pages)
- Incorporation by Reference: The entire disclosure of the prior 2. application, from which a copy of the oath or declaration is supplied, is considered as being part of the disclosure of the accompanying application and is hereby incorporated by reference therein.
- 3. A Power of Attorney to Neil A. Steinberg, Reg. No. 34,735 is attached hereto and filed herewith. That Power of Attorney

also revokes all other powers of attorney. Accordingly, kindly address all future communications to:

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- 4. The Examiner's attention is directed to both the second paragraph of guideline (2) in MPEP 609 and to the last paragraph of MPEP 2001.06(b) and to the submission in the prior application of the Information Disclosure Statements and document copies filed in Application Serial Nos.09/252,998 and 08/979,127.
- 5. Attached is a **PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT** which, among other things, cancels claims 1-150, and adds new claims 151-175. This Preliminary Amendment is to be entered **BEFORE** fee calculation.

	6. <b>FILING FEE</b> (BASED ON THE NUMBER OF CLAIMS AS FILED AND <u>CHANGED</u> BY PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT)
В	asic Fee
A	dditional Fees:
	Surcharge for more than 20 total claims ( $5 * $18$ ) $90.00$
	Surcharge for more than 3 independent claims ( $1 * 78$ ) \$ $78.00$
	Surcharge for multiple dependent claims
т	otal Filing Fee

## 7. Manner of Payment:

- [ ] A check payable to the Commissioner of Patents and Trademarks, in the amount of \$ is enclosed as payment of the Total Filing Fee.
- [XX] Please charge my Deposit Account No. <u>50-0998</u> in the amount of <u>\$ 858.00</u> to cover the above fees. A duplicate copy of this sheet is enclosed.
- [XX] The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any fees which may be required, or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 50-0998. A duplicate copy of this sheet is enclosed.

Date: February 28, 2000

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Respectfully, submitted,

Neil A. Steinberg Reg. No. 34,735 650-944-7772

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In the Application of:

FARMWALD ET AL.

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Art Unit:

Serial No: CONTINUATION OF 09/252,998

**Before** 

Filed: FEBRUARY 28, 2000

Examiner:

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Title:

INTEGRATED CIRCUIT I/O USING A)

HIGH PERFORMANCE BUS INTERFACE)

Assistant Commissioner for Patents Washington, DC 20231

## REQUEST TO APPROVE DRAWING CHANGES

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Applicants seek to amend Figure 10 to more fully reflect the discussion in the specification, specifically, page 55, line 12-16 and page 58, lines 13-23. Attached is a photocopy of Figure 10 with the proposed changes indicated in red. No new matter has been added.

Applicants respectfully request approval of the proposed changes.

A new Figure 10 which incorporates the changes is also attached to hereto.

Respectfully submitted,

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